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Serial No.: 09/560,122

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For: Method And System
For Detecting Cracks
In Optical Discs

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Group Art Unit: 2653

Examiner: B. VUONG

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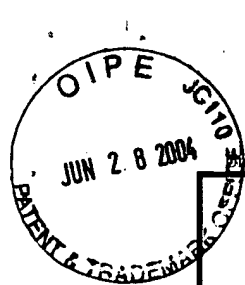
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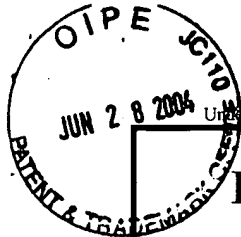
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